Fiscal Year 2009/2010 Budget Highlights and Goals

Health Department

FY2009 Highlights

- The Illinois Breast and Cervical Program at the Crystal Lake Building is operating at full capacity with over 600 women being seen. WIC and Family Case Management services have been added to the Crystal Lake location.
- The Medical Reserve Corps remains active with a group of 200 who assist the Department in Public Health Emergencies.
- Additional grant funding (over approved 2009 budget) in the amount of \$ 330,570 has been received and appropriated into the Health Department Budget through Board of Health and County Board Approval. Funding includes; Nuestro Futuro Dental \$25,000,IDHS WIC \$28,100, IDPH West Niles \$7,000, IDPH Mosquito Vector \$55,852, IDPH Breast and Cervical Cancer \$95,320, Illinois Public Health Institute Quality Improvement &4,000, Illinois Liquor Commission Tobacco Program \$2,970, IPHA HIV \$10,000, IDPH Cities Readiness \$72,333, CDBG Dental \$25,000 and Emergency Preparedness Conference \$4,995
- Open Burning of Landscape Waste alternatives have been further expanded and include a proposal to franchise collection of all waste in select high density residential unincorporated areas. This would allow for yard waste collection to be included in waste pickup at a reasonable cost.
- Web base dog registration program for veterinarians is in the testing phase at a pilot site.
- Three year CARF Certification received program and successful program audits for Emergency Response, WIC and Family Case Management.
- National Association of Counties (NACO) Achievement Award received for the Emergency Response Program.
- Successful comprehensive Novel H1N1 flu (swine flu) response by the Department.
- MAPP (mobilizing for action through planning and partnerships) implementation committees have been formed to address the top three issues (access to healthcare with focus on dental and mental health, awareness of information and referral, and impact of growth and development).
- Expanded use of Department web page and new use of social marketing (twitter and face book) to communicate factual public health information to the public.

FY2010 Goals

- Develop capacity for internet submittal of Private Sewage and Water Well Permits.
- Develop computerized food inspection and record storage system with web access.
- Roll out web based animal registration program to all veterinarians.
- Obtain County board support for a cat registration/vaccination ordinance.
- Manage budget reductions from the Illinois Departments of Public Health and Human Services.
- Develop short term options to address the physical space limitations of the Dental Clinic.
- Continue with the implementation of the health improvement strategies for the top three issues identified in the MAPP (mobilizing for action through planning and partnerships)
 process.
- Expand of the CQI pilot project to one additional program in each of the Departments Divisions.
- Facilitate a planning retreat for the Board of Health.
- Plan and respond to the Novel H1N1 flu outbreak that is anticipated for late 2009 and early 2010.